



City of
Stoke-on-Trent

Adults and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Draft Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25

Report of	Director of Social Care, Health Integration and Wellbeing
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Type of Decision	Policy Framework
Cabinet Member	Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and Health Care
	Cabinet Member for Culture, Leisure and Public Health
	Cabinet Member for Children and Young People
Wards Affected	All Wards

Stronger Together Priorities and how they are applicable:

Support vulnerable people in our communities to live their lives well

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will recognise and support those who are most vulnerable. It will help us work towards being a caring city where children enjoy the best start in life and everyone lives healthier lives.

Enable our residents to fulfil their potential

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will support people to live more fulfilling, independent and healthy lives with fair access to high quality, integrated health and social care services when they need them.

Work with our communities to make them healthier, safer and more sustainable

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy aims to improve the health and wellbeing of the local community and reduce inequalities for all ages. The strategy sets out the actions local authorities, the local NHS and other partners need to take to meet health and social care needs, and to address the wider determinants that impact on health and wellbeing, such as: housing, transport, environment and the economy.

Help businesses to thrive and make our city more prosperous

The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy will help and encourage people into work, and to help them be healthy when they are in work. A healthy workforce and lower absenteeism will support the city's economic recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic .

1.0 Reason and Purpose of Report:

1.1	Building on a report presented to the Committee on 5 November 2020, the purpose of this report is to inform the Adults and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee of progress in respect of the development of the Stoke-on-Trent Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25.
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1.2	The Stoke-on-Trent Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy is a Policy Framework document for Stoke-on-Trent City Council.
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2.0 Recommendation(s):

2.1	The Adults and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee note the progress that has been made on developing the Stoke-on-Trent Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2021-25.
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3.0 Summary of Main Points:

3.1	The Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) is the city's plan for reducing health inequalities and improving health and wellbeing for residents of all ages. Using the local needs identified in our Joint Strategic Needs Assessment, the strategy sets out evidence-based priorities for the commissioning of local services. The city's latest published JHWS came to an end in 2020. The Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB), have developed the draft strategy for 2021-25.
3.2	During October and November 2020 the priorities for the new strategy were subject to public consultation, including a report to the Adults and Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 5 November 2020. Feedback from consultation supports the priorities and objectives identified. Comments received have shaped the draft strategy and will be used in the development of a delivery plan and performance framework.
3.3	The main body of the strategy is structured around the four key themes aligned to the life course (Start Well, Live Well and Age Well) and the wider determinants of health and wellbeing (Healthy City). In addition there are two annexes covering: a statistical profile of our population and an overview of the board; and the partnerships that form the delivery system for the strategy. The delivery section of the draft is being developed to identify the alignment with underpinning strategies and plans led by local strategic partnerships with governance to the HWB. The draft strategy is attached as Appendix One .
3.4	Covid-19 has exposed and amplified underlying health inequalities in society. This strategy recognises the impacts of the pandemic and it will be a key part of the city's response to recovery from it.
3.5	In order to ensure a robust start to delivery planning, the HWB hosted a workshop on 12 April, facilitated by the Local Government Association. The workshop was exceptionally well attended by all key partners, who agreed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A refreshed and more localised vision for the board: <i>We will build on the strength and kindness which characterises the people and communities of Stoke-on-Trent, by working with and supporting our residents to live longer, happier and more fulfilling lives.</i> • The four immediate areas of focus, referred to as obsessions, for the coming year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Early years and best start in life • Economic growth and social inequalities • Lifestyle and health inequalities • Mental health
3.6	The next steps are: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • present the final draft of JHWS to Health and Wellbeing Board for approval on 27 May 2021. • present the final draft of JHWS to City Council for approval on 8 July. • produce and launch the strategy, including making available a summary and easy-ready versions.

Technical Appendix:

List of Background papers (<i>information not already published</i>):
None
List the appendices included as part of this report:
Appendix – Draft Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy 2020-24 (as presented to HWB on 8 March 2021)

Implications taken into consideration in this report:

Financial and Commercial:
There are no financial or commercial implications directly associated with this report. Development of the strategy and consultation will all be managed from within existing resources.
Legal:
<p>The City Council must prepare and implement a Health and Wellbeing Strategy as part of its Budget and Policy Framework.</p> <p>Under the Health and Social Care Act 2012, local authorities and clinical commissioning groups (CCGs) have equal and joint duties to prepare a Joint Strategic Needs Analysis (JSNA) and Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy (JHWS) through the Health and Wellbeing Board (HWB). The responsibility falls on the HWB.</p> <p>The HWB must meet the Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act 2010, and consideration should be given to this throughout the process of developing the JHWS.</p> <p>Preparing the HWS can support other legal duties, for example those relating to crime reduction, and contribute to other local partnerships.</p>
Human Resources:
There are no Human Resource implications associated with this report.
Public Health and Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012:
There are no specific implications relating to the Public Health and Public Services (Social Value) Act 2012 associated with this report. Public Health are represented on the Health and Wellbeing Board. The strategy will consider key public health considerations.
Equality Impact or Environmental Impact Assessments:
An Equality Impact Assessment will be undertaken as part of the development of the JHWS. This will be presented as part of the final approval and adoption of the strategy.
Key Risks:
<p>Approval is refused: It is a duty of the Health and Wellbeing Board to prepare a Joint Strategic Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy. The current strategy expires in 2020 therefore, given the timescale required to prepare such a significant joint strategy, the board will be unable to meet this requirement.</p> <p>Development of the strategy is delayed: The existing strategy came to its end in 2020. A delay in developing the replacement strategy would result in a prolonged period in which no strategies are in place and therefore the Health and Wellbeing Board are not be meeting their statutory requirements.</p>